

Principal's Message

It seems incredible that we are already nearing the end of October. Routines in classrooms are becoming well established and there exists a clear focus on student learning. Also, the overall behaviour of the students is very good; a true credit to the collective efforts of staff, supportive parents, and the students themselves.

Many positive things have occurred during the beginning of the school year and many parents/visitors have commented on the great tone and respectful behaviour of our students. We had some exciting events and activities happening at Yennadon during the month of October. These include three volleyball teams, Grade 4/5 intramurals, three successful fire drills, an earthquake drill, the leadership club food bank drive, school photos, and several class field trips.

Our PAC is coordinating many great fundraisers and the students are keeping very busy with exciting projects and schoolwork. We are fortunate to have a strong school culture at Yennadon and this is helping us continue to provide a positive school environment.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many parents who have come in to help with so many events and activities at Yennadon, as well as the many staff who are doing so much on a daily basis.

Sincerely,

Mrs. L. Lawrance, Principal

Upcoming Events

Thurs., Nov. 1	We Scare Hunger Food Bank Drive Ends
Fri., Nov. 2	Grade 6 Immunizations – morning
Sun., Nov. 4	Daylight Savings Time
Tues., Nov. 6	Fruit & Vegetable Delivery – tomatoes
Wed., Nov. 7	Divisions 8, 9, 15, 22 Skating at Planet Ice – morning
Thurs., Nov. 8	10:30 am Remembrance Day Assembly
	7:30 pm PAC Meeting (Library)
Fri., Nov. 9	District Non-Instructional Day – No School for Students
Mon., Nov. 12	Remembrance Day Holiday – No School
Wed., Nov. 14	Divisions 8 & 10 field trip to Vancouver Symphony, Orpheum Theatre
Thurs., Nov. 15	Divisions 11 & 19 Skating at Planet Ice – morning
Fri., Nov. 16	Divisions 1 – 7, 9, 14 – 18, 20 to watch 'Elf' at The ACT – afternoon
Mon., Nov. 19	10:45 am Multiage Group Rotations – schoolwide
Fri., Nov. 23	Pizza Hot Lunch Day (\$5 day of, no pre-orders)
Mon., Nov. 26	8:40 – 9:10 am Mindful Monday Activities – schoolwide
Tues., Nov. 27	Fruit & Vegetable Delivery – pears
Wed., Nov. 28	SD42 Bookfest Conference (MR Library) – morning
Thurs., Nov. 29	Kindergarten Vision and Hearing Screening
Fri., Nov. 30	Kindergarten Vision and Hearing Screening

Halloween Safety

Wednesday, October 31st is a big night and because we all wish for a wonderful time for all children, we would like to include these reminders around safety. For young children, parents are reminded to accompany them right to the door while trick or treating and to make sure their



costumes allow for good visibility and movement without tripping. Also, although it is very sad that such precautions are necessary, please remind your children to not eat any treats before you have checked them. Of greater concern perhaps than our young children are the older ones who go out on Halloween without adult supervision. It is very likely these children will come in contact with others who have access to illegal fireworks or firecrackers. Firecrackers are illegal in Canada and fireworks are only to be used with special permits that are issued by the Fire Department. Having said this, it still

seems easy for older students to get hold of them and too often they are used by students in inappropriate and dangerous ways. It is not uncommon to read about accidents involving injury, burns, and destruction of property that result from fireworks or firecrackers.

School Assemblies

Parents are always welcome to join us for assemblies in the gym. **Our assembly for Remembrance Day is on Thursday, November 8th at 10:30 a.m. in the gym**. Please feel free to join us. All parents are welcome!



Terry Fox Run Update



We held our annual Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 28th. After some presentations in the gym, all of our students went outside to run/walk around the neighbourhood for 30 minutes. Many thanks go to the staff and parent volunteers for their help with this event. We also want to thank Miss Loutet for organizing the activity and our Grade 7 helpers for their assistance with the younger students. We raised \$5358.25 to donate to the Terry Fox Foundation. On behalf of everyone at Yennadon, I would like to thank you for your generous donations.

Student Information Verification Forms

At the end of September you received a copy of your child's official registration form. If you have not done so already, please take the time to carefully check the form, make any changes, sign and date the form, and have your child return the form to their teacher. It is imperative that the school receives this form back for every student as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for your attention to this request.

Yennadon Cross Country

Congratulations to the Yennadon cross country runners and special thanks to Mrs. Sinow for sponsoring our Running Club. Special recognition to the Grade 7 Girls Team for placing 1st overall and the Grade 4 Boys Team for placing 2nd overall. Congratulations to all participants and a special mention of the following top twenty-five ribbon winners:

<u>Grade 1 Girls</u> Cierra Gri Lynaiyah Baerg Cassidy Wood – 8th Rielle Baudais Fiona Kane Lily Hayter Peyton Dickey – 21st

<u>Grade 1 Boys</u> Brantley Wiens Baxter Woolley – 3rd Tye Reisig – 6th

<u>Grade 2 Girls</u> Addison Desjarlais – 1st Ashleigh Rope – 2nd Sophie Routledge Sienna MacKinlay Kenzie Wedd Ahyun Kim Rya Benson – 25th

<u>Grade 3 Girls</u> Whitney Hayter – 25th Averie Hogg – 4th Brooklyn Reisig Makayla Desjarlais – 16th Mika Wilcott Jessica D'Onofrio Lyla Lynch Abby Kadang Elaira Kelleher – 4th Stasia Shivji Jada Heron Olivia Boudreau Violett Gibson

Rawad Al-Mohamed Lukas Theal Jadon Poulin

<u>Grade 2 Boys</u> Casey Andrews Ryan Drozda Kaden Jost – 20th Charlie Hume Marcus Collett Sevrin Albert-Cole

<u>Grade 3 Boys</u> Montadir Al-Mohamed Jack Owen – 15th Karter Rutledge – 3rd Nicolas Melo Keegan Sabo Isaiah Heron <u>Grade 4 Girls</u> Ashlyn Collett Ava Rosse – 4th Ella Turin Emily Poitras Emmerson Hugill Jaianna Costello

Kennedy Dalrymple – 13th Megan McCarron – 16th Megan Teolis Peyton Lockhart Sarah Bastien

<u>Grade 4 Boys</u>: *Team 2nd Place* Alex Patterson Bode Lynch Ethan Baerg

<u>Grade 5 Girls</u> Abby Bell CeCe Brown – 11th Elyse Miller Kara Brandner Raeleigh Dueck Sienna Topley

<u>Grade 6 Girls</u> Abbie Turin Brooke Rutledge – 24th John Daughton Liam Bell Samuel Denroche – 13th

<u>Grade 5 Boys</u> Kevin Drozda Lance Wu Lucas Bemben – 25th Ryder Hartmann

<u>Grade 6 Boys</u> Dominic Elkerton Kaleb Poitras Sean Na Troy Teolis – 16th

<u>Grade 7 Girls</u>: *Team 1st Place* Alyssa Bonifazi – 23rd Ellie Wardrope – 21st Jesse Nolin

Katrin Rytir – 7th Kimberly Sinow – 16th Madison McCarron – 2nd

Many thanks to the following staff members who attended the Cross Country events: Ms. Wilson (who organized the intermediates), Mrs. Mikes, Mr. Miller, Mrs. Baerg, Mrs. Hickey, Mrs. Sinow, Mrs. Bodman (who organized all the primary students), Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Robertson, and Mrs. Baldassi. We couldn't have done it without you!

BC Fruit and Vegetable Program



Yennadon Elementary is fortunate to once again participate in the BC Agriculture Classroom's Fruit and Vegetable Program. This means that approximately once a month (sometimes twice), a fresh fruit or vegetable is delivered to your child's classroom for each student to sample. The purpose is to encourage students to try new fruits and vegetables and to increase consumption of fresh produce.

If you would like your child to participate, you don't need to do anything! If you do <u>NOT</u> want your child to participate, please email your child's teacher who will relay the message to the Office.

Student Planners

Please remember that Student Planners are a required school supply item for most of our students. **The cost for this year's planner is \$5.00**. Students may bring cash or cheque payment for their planner to their classroom. If you are paying by cheque, please make it payable to Yennadon Elementary. **However, we encourage you to use the "Parent Portal" which accepts Master Card and Visa.**

Student planners are a valuable tool for staying organized and for communication between teachers and parents. We encourage parents to check their child's planner nightly to make sure required homework is being done and important information is received in a timely manner.



Lost and Found

We are beginning to collect another impressive pile of coats, shirts, shoes, etc. in our lost and found bin. These will eventually be donated to a worthy cause in early December. Please come to check for anything that might belong to your children.

Dressing for the Fall Weather

We spend all of our **recess and lunch time outside** and with the cooler temperatures and rainy weather upon us, we ask that you ensure your children are dressed appropriately for the weather. If your child has a tendency to get wet and muddy during recess/lunch activities, we suggest that you send an extra set of clothing each day to avoid having to bring dry clothes to the school when such accidents occur. Also, as the rains seem to be increasing, please consider having your child wear boots to school and to bring a dry pair of inside shoes to change into.





Head Lice

This is the time of year when head lice may show up in your child's hair. To prevent head lice among children at school, we ask that you remind your child not to share personal items such as combs and brushes. We also ask that you check your child's head weekly for the presence of head lice. We have some information about "head lice" on our school website and you can also contact the Public Health Nurse at 476-7000 with any questions you may have.

Yennadon Three Way Conferences, Friday, December 7th



Yennadon follows the Three Way Conferencing model for reporting. This model of reporting involves the classroom teacher, the parent(s), and the child having an in-depth, meaningful discussion about the child's learning. If you have not had a chance to visit the district website and learn about our student inclusive reporting, please do so at <u>www.sd42.ca</u> and click the PARENTS tab and then Reporting and Assessment. Here you will find that there are questions and answers, videos, report/conference templates, and other information. **Remember that we also dismiss early at 11:30 am on Thursday, December 6th**, the day prior to conferences.

Grade 5 Active Pass and Grade 6 Stay Active Pass

All students in Grade 5 and 6 are eligible to apply for the Ridge Meadows Parks and Recreation Active Pass. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to take advantage of the many drop-in programs that our Parks and Leisure has to offer for FREE.

To receive the Grade 5 Active Pass or Grade 6 Stay Active Pass, follow the instructions listed on the grade appropriate Parks & Leisure Services website links.

https://www.mapleridge.ca/1474/Grade-5-Active-Pass

https://www.mapleridge.ca/1475/Grade-6-Stay-Active-Pass

Family Education Centre

The Family Education & Support Centre has been supporting families in our community for over 40 years. Please visit their website at <u>www.familyed.bc.ca</u> to find out more about the services they offer.

Active Kids Program at Yennadon

The "Active Kids" after-school program is once again being held at Yennadon. Qualified Parks and Recreation staff plan supervised activities for children at school from 2:20 – 6:00 p.m. Monday – Friday. Children from Kindergarten to Grade 7 are welcome. Active Kids Club supports children with their development in play, fitness, creativity, and sense of curiosity. Registration packages are available on-line at:

https://www.mapleridge.ca/1469/After-School-Programs or pick one up at Maple Ridge Leisure Centre, 11925 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, or call 604-467-7422.



Become a Host Family

School District 42's International Education program welcomes international students from all over the world. We are currently looking to increase the number of host families in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows. Some of the basic requirements for hosting an international student are:

- Private bedroom and with window and door
- Three meals per day with snacks
- Total inclusion in family
- English primary language spoken in home
- Transportation to and from Vancouver International Airport if necessary

If you are interested and would like more information, please give us a call at 604-466-6555 or follow this link to apply: <u>https://inted.sd42.ca/homestay/</u>



British Columbia Chiropractic Association

BC Chiropractors Present:

Pack it Light!

Is your backpack making the grade?

Carrying the world in your backpack? Lighten your load! Too much weight can cause problems for your back, including pain and injury. When it comes to your backpack, remember to Pack it Light.

For more on packing it light visit: www.bcchiro.com/PackItLight.



Pack it Light Tips

Weigh the Load

Children in grades K - 8 should only carry a backpack that is 10% of their total weight. Grades 9 and up can go up to 15%.



Make a List

Make a list of things you will need for each day and pack accordingly. Don't keep stuff you won't need in your backpack.



Balance the Load

Pack heaviest items closest to your back. Stuff should not slide around in your backpack, so get one with lots of compartments to balance the load.



Address: 125 - 3751 Shell Road, Richmond, BC, V6X 2W2 Tool Free: 1(866) 256-1474 | Email: BCCA@bcchiro.com The Ridge Meadows Community Children's Table Presents for Parents, Caregivers & ECE:



Time: 1pm to 3:30pm

Location: Maple Ridge Library— 2nd floor in the Fraser Room— 22470 Dewdney Trunk Rd, Maple Ridge

Fee: \$17 (includes refreshments & snacks)

Sponsored by:

Ridge Meadows association for community living

Cris Rowan's 'Disconnect to Connect' workshop on

Saturday, November 17th, 2018.

Cris Rowan is a well-known speaker and author to teachers, parents and therapists throughout North America in the field of sensory integration, learning, attention, fine motor skills and the impact of technology on children's neurological development.

Disconnect to Reconnect—Impact of technology on child development, behaviour, and learning will help parents, caregivers and ECE professionals learn how to manage balance between activities families need for growth and success, with technology use.



How to Register

1) Beginning August 13th–Online at with your credit card at here

2) Beginning September 4th—In person at the Family Education & Support Centre, with cash or credit, located at 22554 Lougheed Hwy, Maple Ridge (Closed between noon and 1 pm and Fridays)

Note** Registration ends November 9th, 2018. Child care will not be available for this event. Download the Tech Tool Kit now (Workshop handouts will be available November 8th): <u>http://www.ridgemeadowsecd.ca/training-and-workshops</u>

Parents As Literacy Support

PALS (Parents as Literacy Support)

is a free literacy program for Kindergarteners or children age 3 and 4 along with their family or caregiver. Children receive a FREE BOOK with each session.

Please call the school to register:

Albion 604-463-4848: Nov. 14, Jan. 16, Feb. 20, Apr. 24 3-4pm

Alouette 604-463-8730: Oct. 18, Jan. 24, Feb. 20, Apr. 24 3-4 pm

Davie Jones 604-465-9908: Nov. 22, Jan. 23, Feb. 28, Apr. 17 3-4pm

Eric Langton 604-463-3810: Nov. 21, Feb. 20, Apr. 17, May. 8 4-5:30pm **Kanaka Creek** 604-467-9050: Nov. 16, Feb. 22, May 24 3:15-4:15

Laity View 604-463-7108: TBA

Pitt Meadows Elementary 604-465-5828: Nov. 6, Jan. 29, Apr. 9, May 14 2:45-3:45pm